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1. PETROLOFF CALLED ON DR. ONYIA AND GAVE HIM LETTER REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS FOR DIAMOND SHAMROCK AND STONE & WEBSTER REPS PER REFTELS A AND B.

2. ONYIA SAID MOI WOULD CERTAINLY SEE OFFICIAL FROM PROSPECTIVE DOWNSTREAM JOINT VENTURE OPERATING PARTNER LIKE DIAMON SHAMROCK IF HE CAME, BUT WAS NOT REPEAT NOT INTERESTED AT THIS TIME IN MEETING REPS OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS LIKE STONE & WEBSTER.

3. ONYIA SAID MOI FIRST WANTS TO FINISH SELECTION OF PROJECT MANAGER, THEN TURN ATTENTION TO NEGOTIATIONS WITH JOINT VENTURE OPERATING PARTNERS. ONLY AFTER THESE TWO STAGES WILL MOI BEGIN TO THINK ABOUT CONTRACTORS. ONYIA ADDED THAT AFTER PROJECT MANAGER IS SELECTED, MOI WILL INVITE ABOUT ONE DOZEN FIRMS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR PREQUALIFICATION AS CONTRACTORS. STONE & WEBSTER, HE SAID, WILL DEFINITELY BE AMONG THOSE INVITED TO TO PREQUALIFY. HOWEVER, FACE-TO-FACE TALKS WOULD SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE UNTIL AFTER PREQUALIFICATION STAGE, WHEN CONTRACTORS WOULD BE AWARE OF MOI TERMS AND CONDITIONS. HE MENTIONED AS ONE
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SUCH CONDITION MOI INSISTENCE THAT CONTRACTOR SHALL BE ABLE TO FINANCE THE ETHYLENE PLANT.

4. ONYIA WENT ON TO SAY THAT IT MAY BE UNNECESSARY FOR WILDEMAN OF DIAMOND SHAMROCK TO COME TO LAGOS BECAUSE HE AND OTHER FMG OFFICIALS ARE PLANNING THREE TO FIVE WEEK TRIP TO U.S. TO BEGIN BY END OF JUNE. HOWEVER, HE NOTED THAT PLANS HAVE A WAY OF

SLIPPING, AND SAID WILDEMAN COULD PLAN TO COME AHEAD AS SCHEDULED. IF FMG TEAM ACTUALLY READY TO LEAVE ON OR NEAR JUNE 20, ONYIA SAID HE COULD ADVISE WILDEMAN AND EMBASSY. ONYIA ADDED THAT HE SENDING DIAMOND SHAMROCK AND OTHER PROSPECTIVE PARTNERS THIS WEEK A LETTER WITH PROJECT DOCUMENTS WHICH IS IN EFFECT A FORMAL KINVITATION TO RECOMMENCE SERIOUS WORK ON PROJECT.

5. ONYIA CONFIRMED THAT THERE IS NOW INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE TO HANDLE PETROCHEMICALS. HE AND DR. OYEKAN REPRESENT MOI. S.O. FALAE, FORMER DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL PLANNING OFFICE, MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, STILL REPRESENTS MED ALTHOUGH, EFFECTIVE APRIL 6, HE WAS PROMOTED TO PERMESEC, ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT, CABINET OFFICE. NNPC REPRESENTED BY S.A. KUFEJI, REFINERY PROJECTS OFFICER, AND S.M. AKPE, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR PROJECTS (OTHER THAN REFINERIES).

6. IN VIEW PARAGRAPH FOUR WILL WILDEMAN PUT OFF TRIP TO LAGOS AND AWAI FMG TEAMS VISIT, OR DOES HE DESIRE EMBASSY ATTEMPT ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS WITH FALAE, KUFEJI AND AKPE?

7. RE REFTTEL C, ONYIA SAID REVISED BIDS FOR PROJECT MANAGER WERE DUE IN MOI AT 12 NOON JUNE 6. HE DECLINED TO GUESS HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE MOI TO MAKE FINAL SELECTION SINCE THAT WOULD DEPEND ON HOW RESPONSIVE BIDS WERE TO MOI REQUIREMENTS.
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